1	2	3	4
Tamil Nadu	13006	8148	62.6
Tripura	1049	310	29.6
Uttarakhand	5348	1504	28.1
Uttar Pradesh	24093	19268	80.0
West Bengal	8875	5751	64.8
A & Nicobar Islands	825	47	5.7
Chandigarh	11	2	18.2
Dadar & Nagar Haveli	49	24	49.0
Daman & Diu	11	3	27.3
Delhi	148	54	36.5
Lakshadweep	3	3	100.0
Puducherry	48	31	64.6
All-India	328726	182708	55.6

Per-capita availability of pulses

3249. SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR:

SHRIMATI KUSUM RAI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of availability of per capita pulses in the country during last three years, State-wise and year-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that availability of pulses is decreasing year by year;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps Government has taken to increase production and availability of pulses during the last three years, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): (a) to (c) State-wise data on per capita availability of pulses is not maintained. The per capita availability of pulses in the country as a whole has increased from 11.8 kg. per year in 2006 to 12.9 Kgs. per year in 2007 and further to 15.3 kgs. per year in 2008 (Provisional).

(d) The Government implements a number of programmes/schemes to increase the production and availability of pulses in the country which includes, *inter-alia*, National Food Security Mission (NFSM), Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY), Integrated Scheme of Oilseeds, Pulses, Oil Palm and Maize (ISOPOM) etc.